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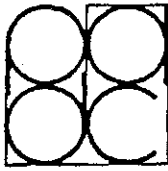
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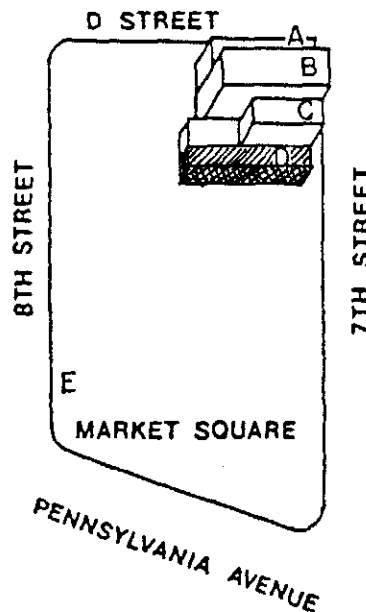
HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM

BUILDING DOCUMENTATION  
CODE IDENTIFICATION MAP  
SQUARE 432

This documentation was produced for mitigation purposes by the Pennsylvania Avenue Development Corporation. Additional documentation exists for Square 432, within which this structure stands. For photographs, historical, and descriptive data on Square 432, see HABS No. DC-484.

For documentation of individual buildings within Square 432, see:

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|---|---|-----------------|
| A | Riggs National Bank, 7th and D Streets Office, 318 7th Street | HABS No. DC-496 |
| B | 314-316 Seventh Street, NW (Morton's)                         | HABS No. DC-495 |
| C | 312 Seventh Street, NW (COMMERCIAL BUILDING)                  | HABS No. DC-494 |
| D | 310 Seventh Street, NW (COMMERCIAL BUILDING)                  | HABS No. DC-587 |
| E | Kann, S. and Sons, Market Space, between 7th and 8th Streets  | HABS No. DC-365 |



#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION

This one-story commercial structure is the southernmost of four buildings facing Seventh Street on Square 432. To the south and west is the newly sodded site of the late Kann's Department Store. The building completely fills its twenty foot by one hundred foot lot. The extensions to the west are apparently remnants of the Kann's complex.

The modern storefront is clad in bronzed aluminum. Large plate glass show windows, which project beyond an aluminum clad base and are topped by colored opaque glass, flank both sides of a deep entry recess. One window features a curved (quarter-circle in plan) piece of plate glass. Double plate-glass doors lead to the store beyond this terrazzo paved area. Inside is a single long shop with a service area to the west. It is currently vacant.

The side (south) wall has been coated with stucco and painted. Some exposed wall area to the west is common red brick. The roof is basically flat.

#### ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

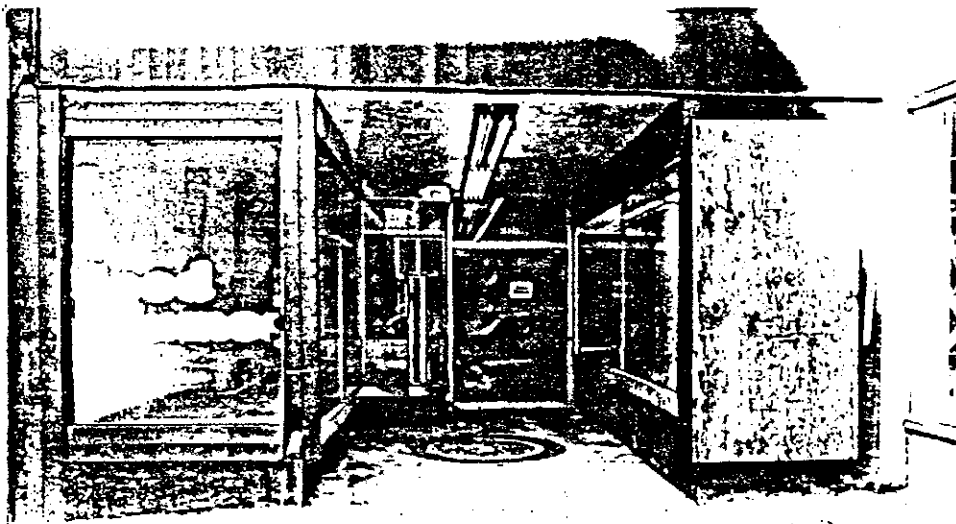
This one-story, anonymous structure has little positive impact on the Pennsylvania Avenue Development Corporation area. Its plain aluminum-clad storefront adds little visual interest to the street. The deep show windows, with their curving plate glass, are the building's most positive features.

The demolition of Kann's has given the unattractive, utilitarian south party wall great prominence as the northern edge of Market Square; a mural seeks to ameliorate this problem. Seen from the south and west, this building and its contiguous neighbors seem awkwardly isolated and ruin-like on the new lawn.

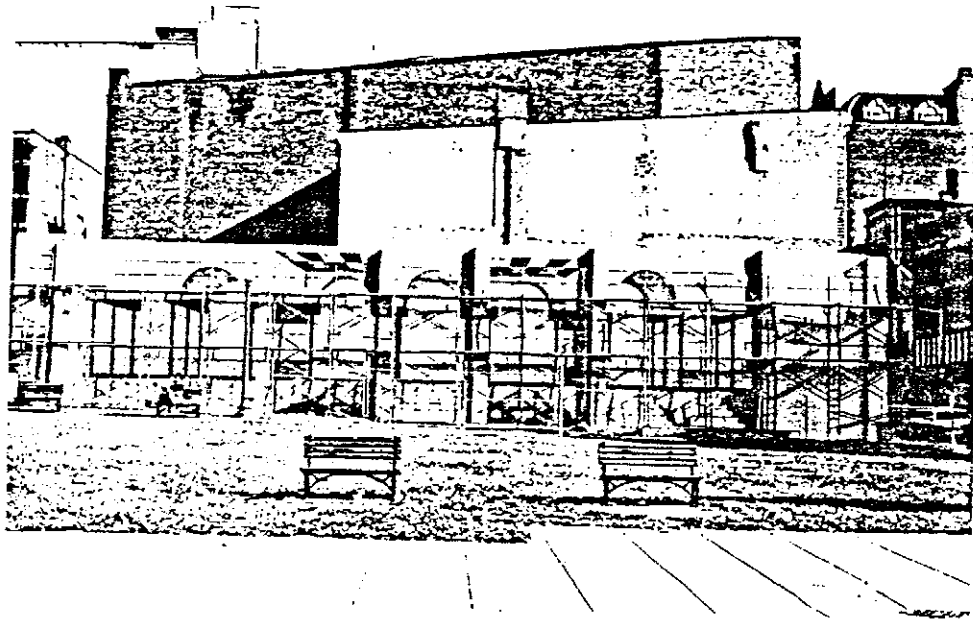
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MARKET SQUARE (SOUTH) ELEVATION